information regarding the Food testing laboratories of Private, State government and public sector organisations are not maintained centrally. Informatoion in respect to Central Government laboratories is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Capacity for beer production

3551. SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have been monitoring the capacity for beer producing companies in case they were producing more than the licensed capacity;

(b) whether any action was being taken against companies which were producing more than the licensed capacity;

(c) whether 5000 Ltrs capacity was considered appropriate for an economically viable unit; and

(d) whether this capacity of 5000 Ltrs was determined against certain considerations, if so, the details of those considerations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) Since some beer manufacturing units were reported to have been over utilising their licensed capacity, they have been requested to furnish details of production for the last five years so that suitable action, wherever justified, may be initiated against those who are found to be defaulters.

(c) and (d) A capacity of 5000 KL per annum was found to be the minimum economic capacity for manufacture of beer, as per the advice of technical authorities.

Delicensing of milk and dairy products

3552. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several representations have reached Government to give up delicensing of milk and dairy products industry; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and action taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b) No representation to give up delicensing of Milk Products industries under the Industries (Development and Regulations) Act 1951 has been received in this Ministry.

Foreign aid in the fishing industry

3553. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem which appeared in the Financial Express of 24th July, 1992 captioned "A Ministry's bid for survival";

(b) what are the details of aid offered by Italy and Australia to fishing industries; and

(c) the details of fresh steps proposed to be taken in cooperation with SCICI for reviving Indian owned fishing fleet?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Government of Italy have agreed to provide soft term loan grant for construction and supply of one Tuna Purse-Seiner, for survey of tuna resources in Indian waters and

training of Indian Crew in Tuna Purse-Seining. There is an Australian aided project for setting up of

(i) An on-shore fish processing plant at Visakhapatnam.

(ii) A Shrimp feed mill in Southern Andhra Pradesh.

(iii) A Cool Store/retail outlet at Hyderabad linked to a cold chain from the fish processing plant.

53 per cent of the total project cost will be Australian contribution.

(c) A scheme for rehabilitation of deep-sea fishing industry was announced in April, 1991 which has further been liberalised in June, 1992. The scheme provides for rescheduelment of the loan repayment, moratorium on loan repayment period, waiver of penal interest, provision of additional loan for modification of vessels etc.

Permission to M/s. Coca Cola to market their products

3554. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government of India permitted Coca Cola to market their products in India;

(b) if so, what are the conditions;

(c) whether any export obligation has been imposed on Coco Cola Company; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Government has approved a joint venture proposal of M/s. JMRPCO Limited. M|s. JMRPCO is a Company incorporated at Hong Kong in which 60 per cent shareholding is NRI enquity and 40 per cent share-holding is of M|s. Coco Cola South Asia Holdings Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Coco Cola, U.S.A.

(b) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Setting up of Food Processing Industry in Etawah, Uttar Pradesh

3555. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:
SHRI RAM GOPAL YADAV:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had announced in 1989-90 its decision to establish Food Processing Industries in Etawah;

(b) if so, what steps have been taken by Government with regard thereto; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to be finalised with the Government to establish such indutries in Etawah, Uttar Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (c) This Ministry does not set up food processing industries directly in any State. Assistance is provided to the State Governments under the various plan schemes formulated by this Ministry in this sector. Besides, food processing industries have been delicenced subject to the satisfaction of locational conditions and that the item of manufacture is not reserved for small sector. However, as per information available, two proposals were received for setting up of potable alcohol units in Etawah during the period 1989-90. One of these proposals has been rejected and action has been initiated on the other proposal received from M|s. Shanti Chemical Industries.